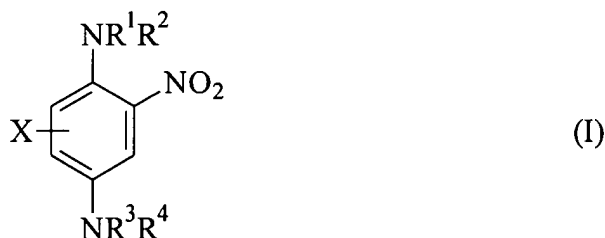


-- 18. (NEW) A composition for coloring or tinting keratin fibers comprising at least one 2-nitro-p-phenylenediamine derivative corresponding to formula (I) as a substantive dye:



wherein R^1 to R^4 , independently of one another, represent hydrogen, a C_{1-4} hydroxyalkyl group or a saturated, monounsaturated or polyunsaturated C_{7-8} ring, wherein the C_{7-8} ring may be optionally substituted by a C_{1-4} alkyl group, a halogen atom, a hydroxy group or an amino group or combinations thereof, and wherein at least one of the substituents R^1 to R^4 is the C_{7-8} ring; and

wherein X is hydrogen or a halogen atom.

19. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein R^1 is a cycloheptyl ring.

20. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein R^1 is a cyclooctyl ring.

21. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein X is hydrogen.

22. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein R^2 to R^4 are hydrogen.

23. (NEW) The composition of claim 22 wherein the compound corresponding to formula (I) comprises 1-(N-cycloheptylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene or 1-(N-cyclooctylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene, or combinations thereof.

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24. (NEW) The composition of claim 23 wherein the composition is free from oxidation dye precursors.
25. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein the compound corresponding to formula (I) comprises 1-(N-cycloheptylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene.
26. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein the compound corresponding to formula (I) comprises 1-(N-cyclooctylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene.
27. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein the composition is free from oxidation dye precursors.
28. (NEW) The composition of claim 27 wherein the composition is formulated to remain on the hair.
29. (NEW) The composition of claim 28 wherein the composition is a hair-setting preparation.
30. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 further comprising at least one primary intermediate.
31. (NEW) The composition of claim 30 wherein the primary intermediate comprises p-phenylenediamine, p-toluylenediamine, p-aminophenol, 1-(2'-hydroxyethyl)-2,5-diaminobenzene, N,N-bis-(2-hydroxyethyl)-p-phenylenediamine, 4-amino-3-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-((diethylamino)-methyl)-phenol, 2-aminomethyl-4-aminophenol, 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine, 2-hydroxy-4,5,6-triaminopyrimidine, 4-hydroxy-2,5,6-triaminopyrimidine or 4,5-diamino-1-(2'-hydroxyethyl)-pyrazole, or combinations thereof.

32. (NEW) The composition of claim 31 further comprising at least one secondary intermediate, wherein the secondary intermediate comprises 1-naphthol, 1,5- dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,7- dihydroxynaphthalene, 1,7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 3-aminophenol, 5-amino-2-methylphenol, resorcinol, 4-chlororesorcinol, 2-chloro-6-methyl-3-aminophenol, 2-methyl resorcinol, 5-methyl resorcinol, 2,5-dimethyl resorcinol or 2,6-dihydroxy-3,4-diaminopyridine, or combinations thereof.

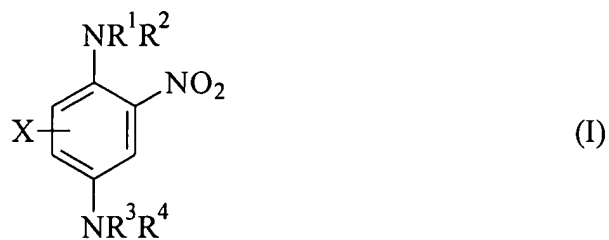
33. (NEW) The composition of claim 30 further comprising at least one secondary intermediate, wherein the secondary intermediate comprises 1-naphthol, 1,5- dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,7- dihydroxynaphthalene, 1,7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 3-aminophenol, 5-amino-2-methylphenol, resorcinol, 4-chlororesorcinol, 2-chloro-6-methyl-3-aminophenol, 2-methyl resorcinol, 5-methyl resorcinol, 2,5-dimethyl resorcinol or 2,6-dihydroxy-3,4-diaminopyridine, or combinations thereof.

34. (NEW) The composition of claim 30 wherein the compound corresponding to formula (I) comprises 1-(N-cycloheptylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene or 1-(N-cyclooctylamino)-2-nitro-4-aminobenzene, or combinations thereof.

35. (NEW) The composition of claim 18 further comprising at least one anionic polymer, nonionic polymer or cationic polymer, or combinations thereof.

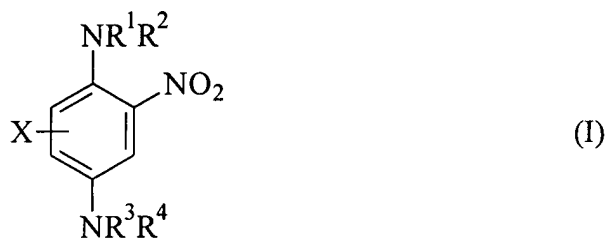
36. (NEW) A method for coloring or tinting keratin fibers comprising applying to keratin fibers the coloring or tinting composition of claim 18.

37. (NEW) A compound corresponding to formula I:



wherein R^1 is a cycloheptyl group, R^2 to R^4 are hydrogen, and X is hydrogen.

38. (NEW) A compound corresponding to formula I:



wherein R^1 is a cyclooctyl group, R^2 to R^4 are hydrogen, and X is hydrogen.